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If you have any questions concerning the enclosed comments, please feel free to contact Charlotte Minton at 887-3391 or the commenting agency.

WCR: cnm Enclosures

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

O. James Lighthizer Hai Kassoff Administrator

5-35-94

Ms. Charlotte Minton Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building Room 109 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Re: Baltimore County Item No.: +447 (JLL)

Towson, Maryland 21204 Dear Ms. Minton:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration project.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours, Bob Small JOHN CONTESTABILE, Chief Engineering Access Permits

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

June 21, 1994

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(410) 887-3353

Lawrence S. Conn, Esquire Smith, Somerville & Case 100 Light Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> RE: Case No. 94-464-A, Item No.447 Petition for Variance

Dear Mr. Conn:

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Lowson, MD 2120 i

Enclosed are copies of comments received from the Office of Planning and Zoning on June 20, 1994 for the above-referenced case.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at

Sincerely,

Charlotte mention Charlotte Minton

Enclosure

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director

Zoning Administration & Development Management FROM: Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning and Zoning

DATE: June 14, 1994

SUBJECT: The Estates at Rolling View

INFORMATION:

Item Number:

Petitioner: Rolling View Estates, Inc. Property Size:

Zoning: Requested Action: Hearing Date:

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff has met with the applicant's representative, Mr. Tom Hoff, to discuss refinement of the Final Landscape Plan.

This office supports the applicant's request contingent upon a refinement of the plan to reflect screening of rear yards.

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RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE The Estates at Rolling View NW/S Vernon and Lincoln Avenues ZONING COMMISSIONER 14th Election Dist., 6th Councilmanic FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY Legal Owner(s): Rolling View, LLC CASE NO.: 94-464-A

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

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Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

> Petichlax Zimminnen PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Charles, Siendis CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

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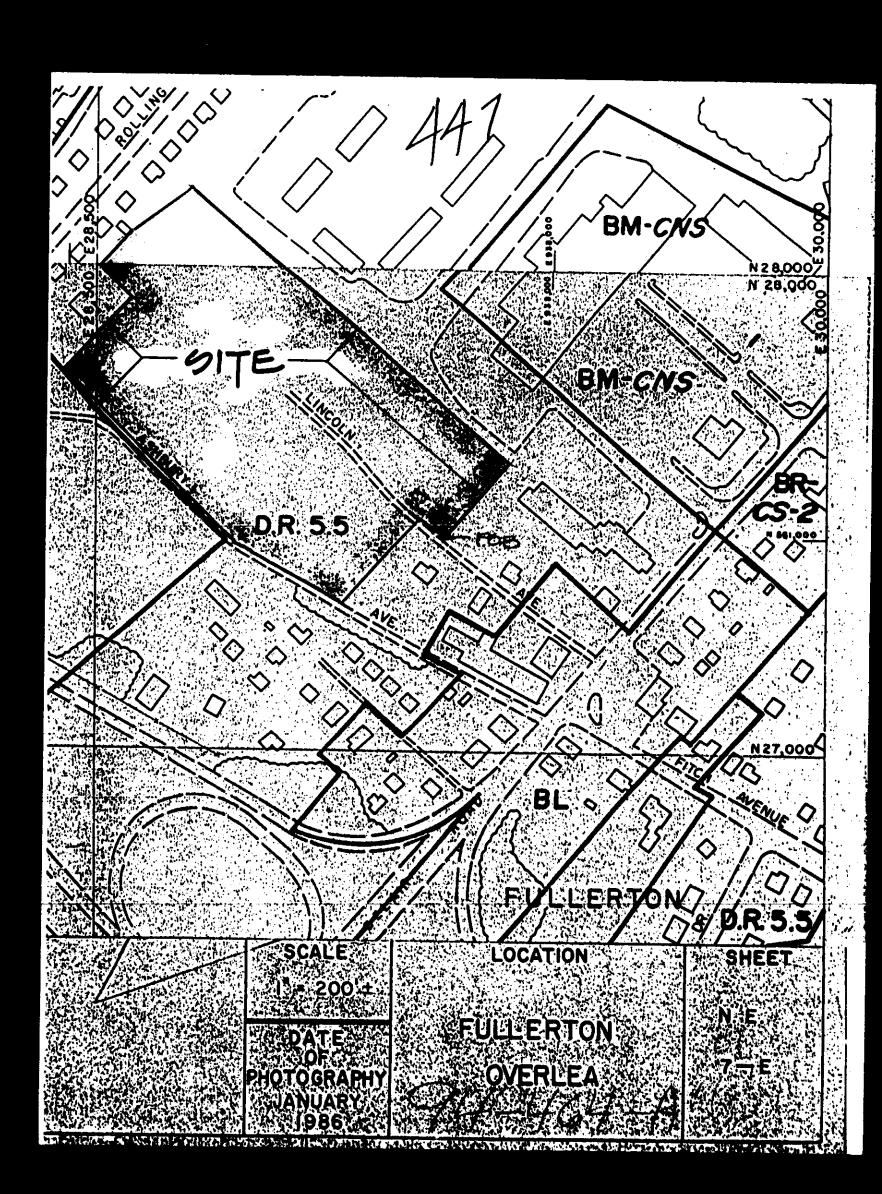
I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 5/2 day of May, 1994, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Lawrence S. Conn, Esquire, Smith, Somerville & Case, 100 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202, attorney for Petitioners.

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EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science Landscape Architecture, Magna Cum Laude West Virginia University, 1976

EXPERIENCE:

January 1992 to Present. THOMAS J. HOFF, INC. Lutherville, Maryland Lutherville, Maryland
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PETITIONER'S
EXHIBIT 102

this owner. Similar Petitions for Variances were granted in connection with Rolling View Green, an adjacent subdivision, and denial of this Petition would be unjust.

3. The variances requested are consistent with the current regulations and thus support the spirit of the ordinance. These variances would have no effect on public safety and welfare, as evidenced by similar variances granted in neighboring subdivisions.

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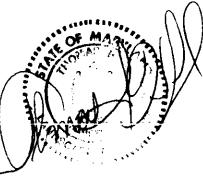
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Zoning Description of The Estates at Rolling View to Accompany Petition for Variances

6th Councilmanic District

14th Election District, Baltimore County, Maryland

BEGINNING FOR THE SAME at a point 17.53 feet northeast of the centerline of Lincoln Avenue (50' R/W) at a distance of 410 feet more or less northwest of the centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street, Belair Road (R/W varies). Being the subdivision of The Estates at Rolling View as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book #65, Folio #81, containing 9.141 Ac.+/- (398,182 SF+/-).



ote:
This Description has been prepared for zoning purposes only.

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

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ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

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This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

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Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

or
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The Estates at Rolling View
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14th Election District - 6th Councilmanic
Legal Owner(s): Rolling View, LLC
HEARING: MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1994 at 2:00 p.m., Rm. 118, Old Courthouse

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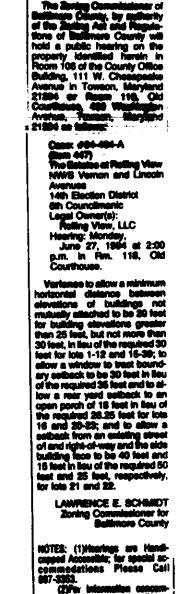
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TOWSON, MD., June 3, 1994

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Arnold Jablon
Director

cc: Rolling View, LLC
Lewrence S. Conn. Enquire

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RE: Case No. 94-464-A, Item No. 447
Petition for Variance
Petitioner: Rolling View, Inc.

Dear Mr. Conn:

The above-referenced petition and accompanying plans were accepted for filing on May 18, 1994 and a hearing was scheduled accordingly. Respectively, the Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed those plans. Enclosed are copies of the comments received to date from the reviewing agency/agencies offering or requesting information on the petition. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but rather to ensure that all parties; i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney, and/or petitioner, are aware of any issues that may have a bearing on this case. Should we receive any additional informative comments, they will be forwarded to you immediately. (Comments that are not informative are placed in the case file; you will not receive a copy.)

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

1. The director of the Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby those zoning attorneys who regularly file petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petition(s) filing requirements can file their petition(s) with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by zoning personnel. However, previous staff reviews and violations must be identified at that time.

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14th Election District * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 6th Councilmanic District * Case No. 94-464-A Rolling View, LLC Petitioner

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for a Zoning Variance for the proposed residential development known as The Estates at Rolling View located on the northwest side of Vernon and Lincoln Avenues in the Fullerton/Overlea section of Baltimore County. Blanket variance relief is requested for 36 of the 39 proposed residential lots in this community. Four separate variances are requested. They are:

(1) a variance from Section 1B01.2.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) and Section V.B.3 of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies (CMDP) to allow a minimum horizontal distance between elevations of buildings not mutually attached to be 20 ft. for building elevations greater than 25 but not more than 30 ft., in lieu of the required 30 ft

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3. From Sections 301.1.A, 1801.2.C.2.a. of the BCZR and V.B.5.a. of the CMDP to allow a rear yard setback to an open porch of 18 ft. in lieu of the required 26.25 ft.

4. From Section 1B01.2.C.3 of the BCZR and V.B.9 of the CMDP to allow a setback from an existing street centerline and right of way and side building face to be 40 ft. and 15 ft. in lieu of the required 50 and 25 ft. respectively.

All of the relief requested is more particularly shown on the site plan, submitted as Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1.

Appearing at the public hearing held for this case were Bruce Scherr Gamber on behalf of the property owner, Rolling View, LLC. individually, and as agent for Rolling View, Inc. Also present in support of the Petition was Gerhardt A. Dohmeier from St. Peter's Lutheran Church. which is located next door. Also present was Thomas J. Hoff, the Landscape Architect who prepared the site plan. The Petitioner was represented by Robert J. Carson, Esquire and Honora W. Suter, Esquire. There were no Protestants present.

As noted above, this request comes before the Zoning Commissioner for a series of blanket variances for the proposed residential community known as Estates at Rolling View. The subject tract is approximately 9.1 acres in area and is zoned D.R.5.5. The Petitioner proposes development on said site with 39 single family houses. C.R.G. approval was received for the project on June 20, 1990. An appeal of the C.R.G. decision was subsequently affirmed by the County Board of Appeals. In this instance, setbacks are regulated under the old version of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policy. This manual was comprehensively revised in 1992 for developments approved after its effective date.

As to the subject variances, they relate to the required distances between structures higher than 20 ft. but not higher than 25 ft., the required distance between windows and tract boundary and the required distance between structures and rear and side yard property lines.

In support of the variances, testimony was received from Mr. Hoff who prepared the plan. He highlighted the history of the plan as set forth above and noted that this would be a compatible development in this area. In fact, other single family communities exist nearby. To the immediate

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noted that variances were granted for that subdivision similar to those requested in the instant case in case No. 90-449-A. Moreover, the houses in the subject subdivision will be compatible with the other single family homes in the area. Additionally, the setbacks proposed, even if varianced, will be greater than the average as they exist in the neighbor-

Also testifying was Gary Gamber, a principal with the property owner He testified as to the practical difficulty standard enunciated in Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. In his view, the Petitioner would suffer practical difficulty if the variances were denied. Specifically, the houses would have to be redesigned and reoriented. The resultant project might not be compatible with houses in the existing neighborhood. Moreover, denial of

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical

> injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxa--3-

south of the development is the community of Rolling View Green. Mr. Hoff

Mr. Hoff also noted that the Office of Planning and Zoning (OPZ) has supported the subject Petition in their Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment. A suggested restriction was offered by OPZ, however, that certain landscaping be added. In fact, Mr. Hoff testified that he has discussed this matter with OPZ and they have tentatively approved the additional landscaping proposed as shown in Petitioner's Exhibit No. 5.

the variance would result in competitive disadvantage to him.

difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

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3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

It is clear from the testimony that if the variances are granted, such use, as proposed, will not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and will not result in any injury to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that a practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variances are not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of the variances requested, and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the variances requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety and general welfare. Further, granting of the variance will be in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore 1994 that a variance from Section 1B01.2.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) and Section V.B.3 of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies (CMDP) to allow a minimum horizontal distance between elevations of buildings not mutually

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 1801.2.C.2.a of the BCZR and V.B.5.a. of the CMDP to allow window to tract boundary setback to be 30 ft. in lieu of the required 35 ft., be and is hereby GRANT-ED; and,

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The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

The Petitioner shall implement additional buffering and screening to certain lots in the subject locale consistent with the ZAC comment submitted by the Office of Planning and Zoning dated June 14, 1994. Such screening shall be substantially similar to that depicted in Petitioner's Exhibit No. 5.

> Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

Petition for Variance to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County Estates at Rolling View for the property located at N.W. side of Vernon and Lincoln Avenues which is presently sened DR 5.5 This Polition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Managemen The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) See attached chart designating the type(s) of set back variance requeste for each lot in the recorded subdivision of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or See attached summary of practical difficulty Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, poeting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. Whe do salemnly declare and aftern under the penalties of penjury, that there are the Rolling View, LLC Type or Port Name Bruce J. Scherr, Member Lawrence S. Conn 6 Caraway Road 833-8060 Reisterstown, Maryland 21136 Name Address and phone number of representative to be contacted

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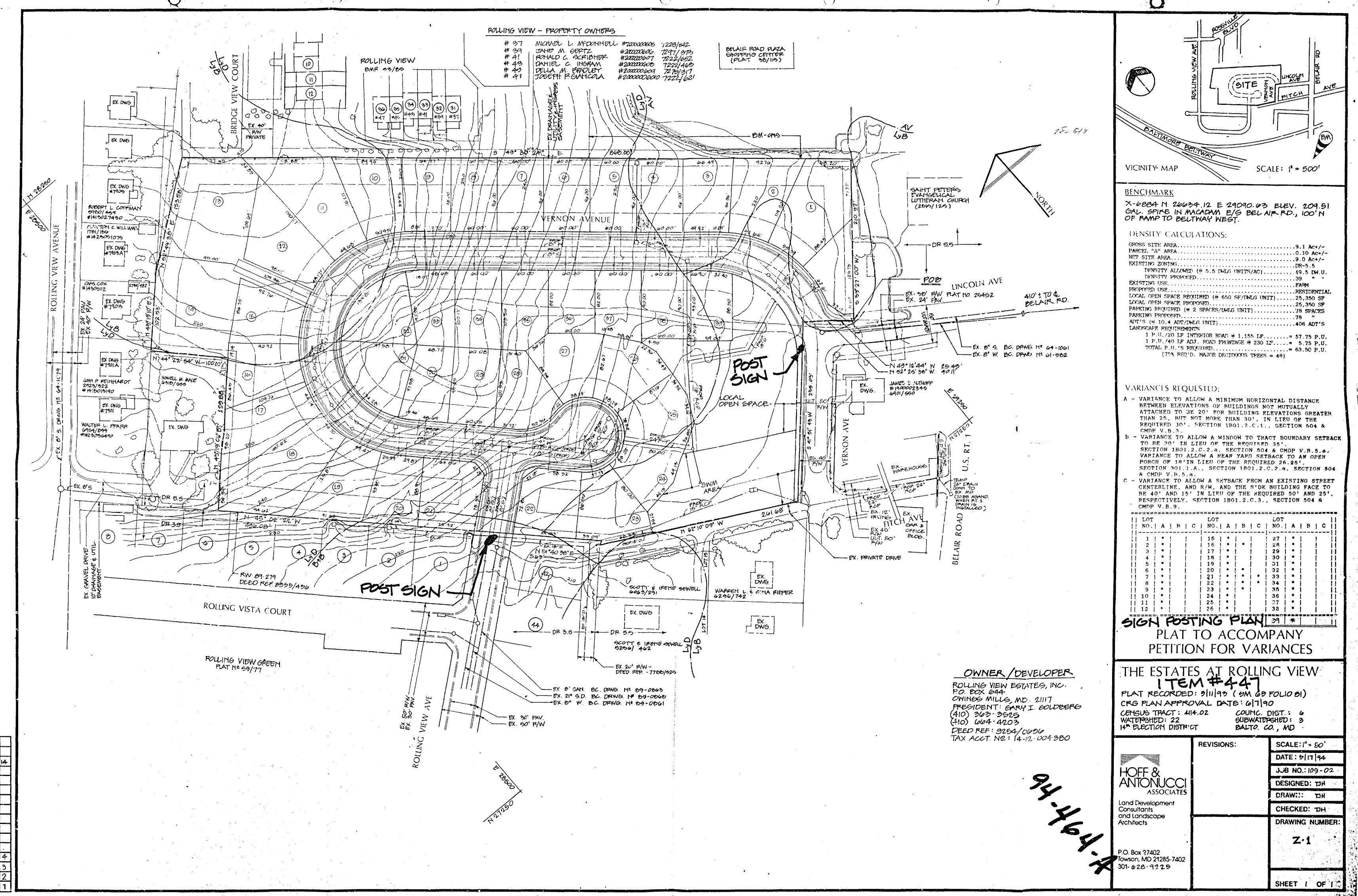
This property is subject to the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations in effect in June, 1990 when the CRG was approved. The current set back requirements permit larger houses on lots of the same size as in this project. The proposed variances would create setbacks in compliance with the current regulations. Compliance with the 1990 Regulations would result in significantly smaller houses on these lots, and would place this developer at a distinct competitive disadvantage with projects in the immediate area. The developer plans to use its existing house plans which have been engineered under the current regulations for other subdivisions in Baltimore County. The developer would be required to prepare new plans, and to modify its current construction procedures, if held to the 1990 regulations.

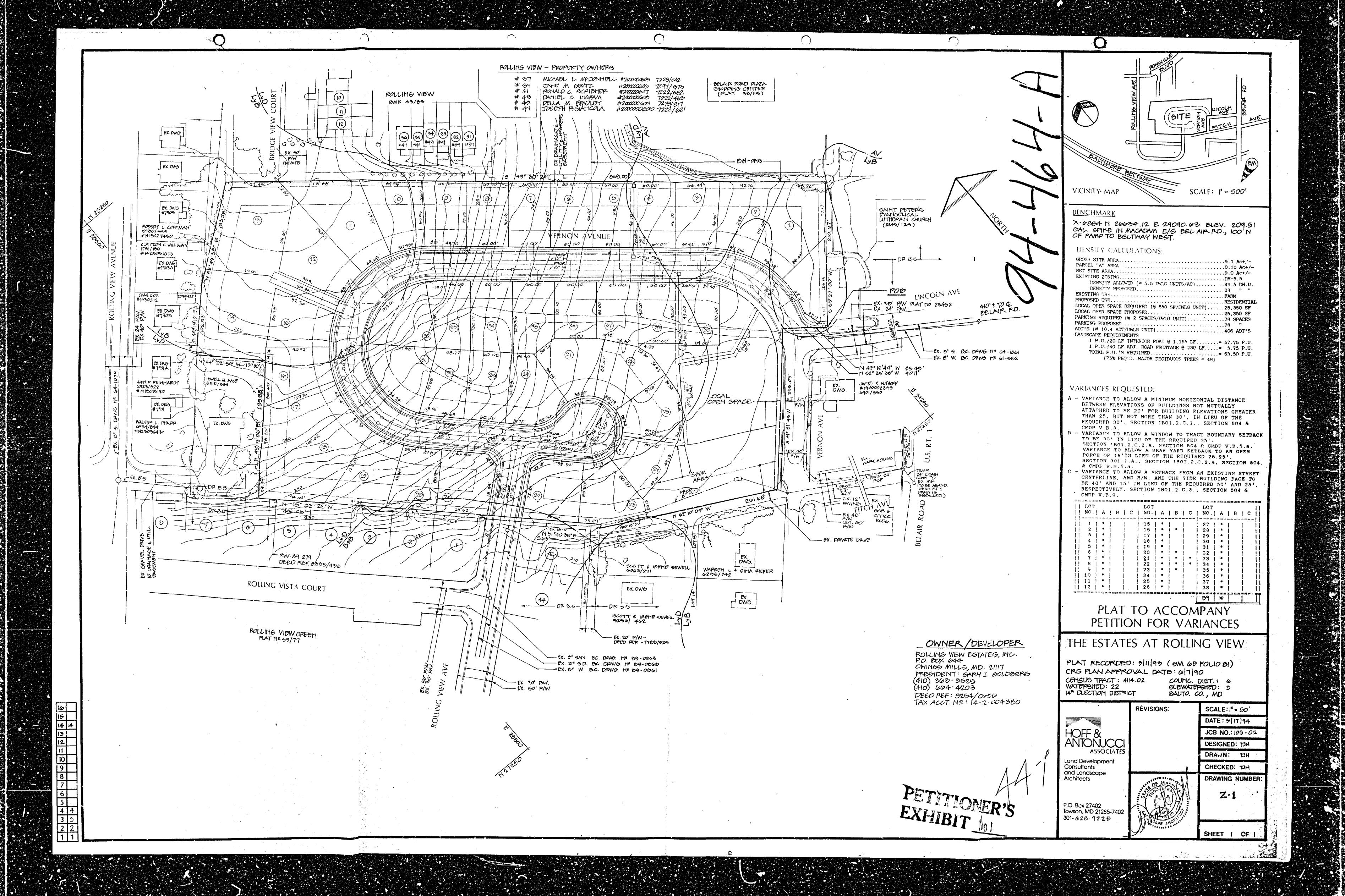
The standards for granting a variance based on practical difficulty, as stated in McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973),

- whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief;
- 3. whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Applying those standards to the facts in this project shows the following:

- 1. Strict compliance would be unnecessarily burdensome to the owner. The owner has existing relationships with contractors and subcontractors who are proficient in construction of houses as they exist in plans for other subdivisions. The existing plans would have to be reengineered for this project and the contractors and subcontractors would have to re-work their proposals for the new plans, all of which would be required
- Denial of the Petition for Variance would require the developer to construct homes smaller than those in projects which were approved under the new regulations. This would create an unfair competitive advantage for nearby projects and result in substantial injustice to





2. Any attorney choosing to file without preliminary review should be fully aware of their responsibility for accuracy and completeness. Any petition(s) filed in this manner will be reviewed and commented on by zoning personnel prior to the hearing. There may be insufficient time, however, to correct the petition after the comments are made; and therefore, if the petition(s) was/were filed incorrectly, there is the possibility that another hearing would be required or that the zoning commissioner would deny the petition.

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If you have any questions concerning the enclosed comments, please feel free to contact Charlotte Minton at 887-3391 or the commenting agency.

WCR: cnm Enclosures

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

O. James Lighthizer Hai Kassoff Administrator

5-35-94

Ms. Charlotte Minton Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building Room 109 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Re: Baltimore County Item No.: +447 (JLL)

Towson, Maryland 21204 Dear Ms. Minton:

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration project.

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

Very truly yours, Bob Small JOHN CONTESTABILE, Chief Engineering Access Permits

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

June 21, 1994

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(410) 887-3353

Lawrence S. Conn, Esquire Smith, Somerville & Case 100 Light Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> RE: Case No. 94-464-A, Item No.447 Petition for Variance

Dear Mr. Conn:

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue

Lowson, MD 2120 i

Enclosed are copies of comments received from the Office of Planning and Zoning on June 20, 1994 for the above-referenced case.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at

Sincerely,

Charlotte mention Charlotte Minton

Enclosure

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director

Zoning Administration & Development Management FROM: Pat Keller, Director

Office of Planning and Zoning

DATE: June 14, 1994

SUBJECT: The Estates at Rolling View

INFORMATION:

Item Number:

Petitioner: Rolling View Estates, Inc. Property Size:

Zoning: Requested Action: Hearing Date:

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff has met with the applicant's representative, Mr. Tom Hoff, to discuss refinement of the Final Landscape Plan.

This office supports the applicant's request contingent upon a refinement of the plan to reflect screening of rear yards.

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RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE The Estates at Rolling View NW/S Vernon and Lincoln Avenues ZONING COMMISSIONER 14th Election Dist., 6th Councilmanic FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY Legal Owner(s): Rolling View, LLC CASE NO.: 94-464-A

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

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Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notice should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

> Petichlax Zimminnen PETER MAX ZIMMERMAN People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Charles, Siendis CAROLE S. DEMILIO Deputy People's Counsel Room 47, Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204 (410) 887-2188

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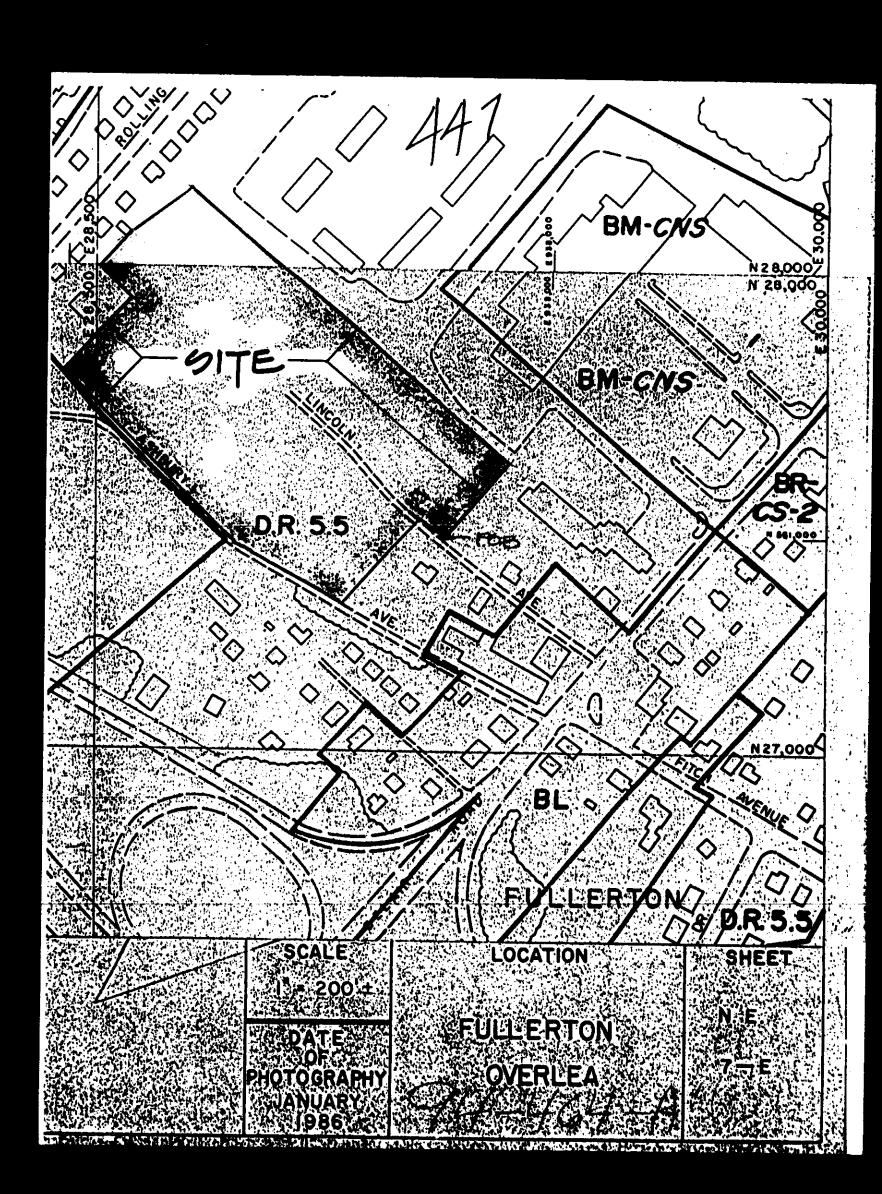
I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 5/2 day of May, 1994, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Lawrence S. Conn, Esquire, Smith, Somerville & Case, 100 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202, attorney for Petitioners.

Peter Max Timmernan

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THOMAS J. HOFF

THOMAS J. HOFF, INC. t/a HOFF & ANTONUCCI ASSOCIATES 1717 York Road, Suite 1B Lutherville, Maryland 21093 410-628-9225

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science Landscape Architecture, Magna Cum Laude West Virginia University, 1976

EXPERIENCE:

January 1992 to Present. THOMAS J. HOFF, INC. Lutherville, Maryland Lutherville, Maryland
Principal - President. Responsibilities include
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PETITIONER'S
EXHIBIT 102

this owner. Similar Petitions for Variances were granted in connection with Rolling View Green, an adjacent subdivision, and denial of this Petition would be unjust.

3. The variances requested are consistent with the current regulations and thus support the spirit of the ordinance. These variances would have no effect on public safety and welfare, as evidenced by similar variances granted in neighboring subdivisions.

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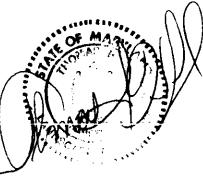
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Zoning Description of The Estates at Rolling View to Accompany Petition for Variances

6th Councilmanic District

14th Election District, Baltimore County, Maryland

BEGINNING FOR THE SAME at a point 17.53 feet northeast of the centerline of Lincoln Avenue (50' R/W) at a distance of 410 feet more or less northwest of the centerline of the nearest improved intersecting street, Belair Road (R/W varies). Being the subdivision of The Estates at Rolling View as recorded in Baltimore County Plat Book #65, Folio #81, containing 9.141 Ac.+/- (398,182 SF+/-).



ote:
This Description has been prepared for zoning purposes only.

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

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ZONING HEARING ADVERTISING AND POSTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

Baltimore County Zoning Regulations require that notice be given to the general public/neighboring property owners relative to property which is the subject of an upcoming zoning hearing. For those petitions which require a public hearing, this notice is accomplished by posting a sign on the property and placement of a notice in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the County.

This office will ensure that the legal requirements for posting and advertising are satisfied. However, the petitioner is responsible for the costs associated with these requirements.

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Item No.: 447

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Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

or
Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 94-464-A (Item 447)
The Estates at Rolling View
NW/S Vernon and Lincoln Avenues
14th Election District - 6th Councilmanic
Legal Owner(s): Rolling View, LLC
HEARING: MONDAY, JUNE 27, 1994 at 2:00 p.m., Rm. 118, Old Courthouse

Variance to allow a minimum horizontal distance between elevations of buildings not mutually attached to be 20 feet for building elevations greater than 25 feet, but not more than 30 feet, in lieu of the required 30 feet for lots 1-12 and 15-39; to allow a window to tract boundary setback to be 30 feet in lieu of the required 35 feet and to allow a rear yard setback to an open porch of 18 feet in lieu of the required 26.25 feet for lots 16 and 20-23; and to allow a setback from an existing street c/1 and right-of-way and the side building face to be 40 feet and 15 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet and 25 feet, respectively, for lots 21 and 22.

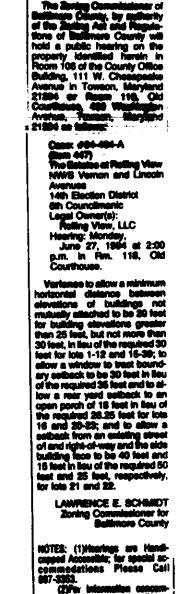
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TOWSON, MD., June 3, 1994

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Arnold Jablon
Director

cc: Rolling View, LLC
Lewrence S. Conn. Enquire

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RE: Case No. 94-464-A, Item No. 447
Petition for Variance
Petitioner: Rolling View, Inc.

Dear Mr. Conn:

The above-referenced petition and accompanying plans were accepted for filing on May 18, 1994 and a hearing was scheduled accordingly. Respectively, the Zoning Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed those plans. Enclosed are copies of the comments received to date from the reviewing agency/agencies offering or requesting information on the petition. These comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but rather to ensure that all parties; i.e., zoning commissioner, attorney, and/or petitioner, are aware of any issues that may have a bearing on this case. Should we receive any additional informative comments, they will be forwarded to you immediately. (Comments that are not informative are placed in the case file; you will not receive a copy.)

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

1. The director of the Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby those zoning attorneys who regularly file petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petition(s) filing requirements can file their petition(s) with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by zoning personnel. However, previous staff reviews and violations must be identified at that time.

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14th Election District * OF BALTIMORE COUNTY 6th Councilmanic District * Case No. 94-464-A Rolling View, LLC Petitioner

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for a Zoning Variance for the proposed residential development known as The Estates at Rolling View located on the northwest side of Vernon and Lincoln Avenues in the Fullerton/Overlea section of Baltimore County. Blanket variance relief is requested for 36 of the 39 proposed residential lots in this community. Four separate variances are requested. They are:

(1) a variance from Section 1B01.2.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) and Section V.B.3 of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies (CMDP) to allow a minimum horizontal distance between elevations of buildings not mutually attached to be 20 ft. for building elevations greater than 25 but not more than 30 ft., in lieu of the required 30 ft

2. From Section 1B01.2.C.2.a of the BCZR and V.B.5.a. of the CMDP to allow window to tract boundary setback to be 30 ft. in lieu of the required 35 ft.

3. From Sections 301.1.A, 1801.2.C.2.a. of the BCZR and V.B.5.a. of the CMDP to allow a rear yard setback to an open porch of 18 ft. in lieu of the required 26.25 ft.

4. From Section 1B01.2.C.3 of the BCZR and V.B.9 of the CMDP to allow a setback from an existing street centerline and right of way and side building face to be 40 ft. and 15 ft. in lieu of the required 50 and 25 ft. respectively.

All of the relief requested is more particularly shown on the site plan, submitted as Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1.

Appearing at the public hearing held for this case were Bruce Scherr Gamber on behalf of the property owner, Rolling View, LLC. individually, and as agent for Rolling View, Inc. Also present in support of the Petition was Gerhardt A. Dohmeier from St. Peter's Lutheran Church. which is located next door. Also present was Thomas J. Hoff, the Landscape Architect who prepared the site plan. The Petitioner was represented by Robert J. Carson, Esquire and Honora W. Suter, Esquire. There were no Protestants present.

As noted above, this request comes before the Zoning Commissioner for a series of blanket variances for the proposed residential community known as Estates at Rolling View. The subject tract is approximately 9.1 acres in area and is zoned D.R.5.5. The Petitioner proposes development on said site with 39 single family houses. C.R.G. approval was received for the project on June 20, 1990. An appeal of the C.R.G. decision was subsequently affirmed by the County Board of Appeals. In this instance, setbacks are regulated under the old version of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policy. This manual was comprehensively revised in 1992 for developments approved after its effective date.

As to the subject variances, they relate to the required distances between structures higher than 20 ft. but not higher than 25 ft., the required distance between windows and tract boundary and the required distance between structures and rear and side yard property lines.

In support of the variances, testimony was received from Mr. Hoff who prepared the plan. He highlighted the history of the plan as set forth above and noted that this would be a compatible development in this area. In fact, other single family communities exist nearby. To the immediate

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noted that variances were granted for that subdivision similar to those requested in the instant case in case No. 90-449-A. Moreover, the houses in the subject subdivision will be compatible with the other single family homes in the area. Additionally, the setbacks proposed, even if varianced, will be greater than the average as they exist in the neighbor-

Also testifying was Gary Gamber, a principal with the property owner He testified as to the practical difficulty standard enunciated in Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. In his view, the Petitioner would suffer practical difficulty if the variances were denied. Specifically, the houses would have to be redesigned and reoriented. The resultant project might not be compatible with houses in the existing neighborhood. Moreover, denial of

An area variance may be granted where strict application of the zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical

> injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxa--3-

south of the development is the community of Rolling View Green. Mr. Hoff

Mr. Hoff also noted that the Office of Planning and Zoning (OPZ) has supported the subject Petition in their Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) comment. A suggested restriction was offered by OPZ, however, that certain landscaping be added. In fact, Mr. Hoff testified that he has discussed this matter with OPZ and they have tentatively approved the additional landscaping proposed as shown in Petitioner's Exhibit No. 5.

the variance would result in competitive disadvantage to him.

difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;

whether the grant would do substantial

tion than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28 (1974).

It is clear from the testimony that if the variances are granted, such use, as proposed, will not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and will not result in any injury to the public good.

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented, it is clear that a practical difficulty or unreasonable hardship will result if the variances are not granted. It has been established that special circumstances or conditions exist that are peculiar to the land or structure which is the subject of the variances requested, and that the requirements from which the Petitioner seeks relief will unduly restrict the use of the land due to the special conditions unique to this particular parcel. In addition, the variances requested will not cause any injury to the public health, safety and general welfare. Further, granting of the variance will be in strict harmony with the spirit and intent of the

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore 1994 that a variance from Section 1B01.2.C.1 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) and Section V.B.3 of the Comprehensive Manual of Development Policies (CMDP) to allow a minimum horizontal distance between elevations of buildings not mutually

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 1801.2.C.2.a of the BCZR and V.B.5.a. of the CMDP to allow window to tract boundary setback to be 30 ft. in lieu of the required 35 ft., be and is hereby GRANT-ED; and,

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. .

The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at its own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

The Petitioner shall implement additional buffering and screening to certain lots in the subject locale consistent with the ZAC comment submitted by the Office of Planning and Zoning dated June 14, 1994. Such screening shall be substantially similar to that depicted in Petitioner's Exhibit No. 5.

> Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

Petition for Variance to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County Estates at Rolling View for the property located at N.W. side of Vernon and Lincoln Avenues which is presently sened DR 5.5 This Polition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Managemen The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section(s) See attached chart designating the type(s) of set back variance requeste for each lot in the recorded subdivision of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or See attached summary of practical difficulty Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, poeting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County. Whe do salemnly declare and aftern under the penalties of penjury, that there are the Rolling View, LLC Type or Port Name Bruce J. Scherr, Member Lawrence S. Conn 6 Caraway Road 833-8060 Reisterstown, Maryland 21136 Name Address and phone number of representative to be contacted

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Practical Difficulty

This property is subject to the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations in effect in June, 1990 when the CRG was approved. The current set back requirements permit larger houses on lots of the same size as in this project. The proposed variances would create setbacks in compliance with the current regulations. Compliance with the 1990 Regulations would result in significantly smaller houses on these lots, and would place this developer at a distinct competitive disadvantage with projects in the immediate area. The developer plans to use its existing house plans which have been engineered under the current regulations for other subdivisions in Baltimore County. The developer would be required to prepare new plans, and to modify its current construction procedures, if held to the 1990 regulations.

The standards for granting a variance based on practical difficulty, as stated in McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973),

- whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily burdensome;
- whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief;
- 3. whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

Applying those standards to the facts in this project shows the following:

- 1. Strict compliance would be unnecessarily burdensome to the owner. The owner has existing relationships with contractors and subcontractors who are proficient in construction of houses as they exist in plans for other subdivisions. The existing plans would have to be reengineered for this project and the contractors and subcontractors would have to re-work their proposals for the new plans, all of which would be required
- Denial of the Petition for Variance would require the developer to construct homes smaller than those in projects which were approved under the new regulations. This would create an unfair competitive advantage for nearby projects and result in substantial injustice to